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**\*\*Alarm Amnesty Program \*\***

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In keeping with our commitment to reduce the police response time to calls for service relative to residential alarms, the following interventions are recommended to the home owner or renter.

The home owner or renter is encouraged to notify their respective alarm company that when an alarm is activated the Miami Beach Police Department (MBPD) should be the first to be notified prior to notifying any other party including the homeowner. If a false alarm is activated after the third time in a twelve month period, the MBPD will waive the fine until March 1, 2005. The intent of this provision is to educate Miami Beach residents and renters in an effort to limit residential burglaries.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact Mr. A. Childress of the Records Management Section at 305-673-7100.